► Collection by mobile vans.

Joint Venture between India and China

3108. SHRI C. O. POULOSE: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India and China have agreed to implement joint venture in third countries and signed a Memorandum of Understanding in the telecom sector; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

Release of Funds to MP

3109. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are sitting with huge amount of funds, almost 50,000 crore and not releasing the same to States under different Ministries;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) what are the details of release of funds during the last three years to Madhya Pradesh under Rural Development, Tribal Welfare, Social Justice and Empowerment, Road Transport and Finance Department?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) A statement is enclosed.